

CABINET CRISIS THREATENS SPAIN

Conspiracy of Army Officers May Upset Government if Not Checked.

POLITICS SEEN IN TANGLE

Protest Against Unfairness in Re- wards for Military Service Is Only Clank Under Which Conservatives Attack.

MADRID, Jan. 14.—The conspiracy against the government, which is largely advanced by army officers, is growing in seriousness. Commencing as a protest against an alleged unfairness in the distribution of honors as a result of the Melilla campaign, the affair is now looked upon as a plot of the Conservatives to embroil the army in a quarrel with the crown and to take from the government the support of the troops of the nation. It is considered in political circles that a ministerial crisis is at hand and that the manifestations of the military officers were undertaken as an attempt to force the resignation of the minister and to install Llorens, thus precipitating the downfall of Premier Moret y Prendergast and his Cabinet. The government's proposal to give General Velez the rank of Field Marshal has further complicated matters.

Wholesale Arrests Made.

Many arrests have been made by the police and as a result interesting details of the affair are coming to light. Senor Lorenzo y Castro, deputy, is charged with having written the original article of protest against the army awards, which article would have been published in the Correspondencia Militar had not the paper been suppressed and the issue confiscated. It was after the suppression of this paper that the army officers gathered in front of the office of publication and their demonstration against the government.

Excitement at Barcelona.

Dispatches from Barcelona report much excitement there. The troops are held in readiness at their barracks. The origin of the trouble was the complaint against the system of advancement for army officers, which was made upon the recommendation of persons of high rank, among whom Prince Pignatelli was the leader. Several army units are affected, but to what extent is not known. The minister of War Llorens admits that the situation is grave, and that a rift between two fires, on the one hand the Republicans and Radicals, on the other hand the army.

SPANISH CENSOR IS ACTIVE

References to Military Conspiracy Are Carefully Suppressed.

MENDELAYE, France, Jan. 14.—The Spanish censor is intercepting newspaper dispatches containing references to the military conspiracy at Madrid. The censor is reported among the troops at Cadix, Malaga and Valencia.

PAULHAN'S RECORD STANDS

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things, while he went after speed and durability records. After three attempts he succeeded in setting the speed record for the course at one lap.

Paulhan Flies Cross Country.

High over the trees, outlined in a sharp profile against the gray sky, came Paulhan. It was just as he was about to turn to the Frenchman, but to the countryside he gazed upon, it was a most significant event.

Paulhan in a Farman biplane, came out of the gully back of the airship tent unexpectedly. Starting as though on an ordinary trip around the course, he drew the great concourse of people to his feet as he soared high over the grandstand and disappeared in the direction of San Pedro and the ocean. He flew about 15 miles in all, as the crowd flies, over a gentle landscape, with a light wind. He turned toward Wilmington and Long Beach and San Pedro before someone below divined what the strange sight was and soon Paulhan was greeted by a hail of whistles from the harbor and big craft in the harbor. He sailed above the wireless telegraph mast at the harbor entrance and started back.

Paulhan Promises More.

As he appeared over the crowd again, he received another hearty welcome, but the judges paid no attention to the performance, as Paulhan had not announced to them that he intended to do anything. Paulhan himself did not think the trip amounted to much.

"Wait," he said, "until the big cross-country trip."

"Can you go as far as San Francisco?"

"Oh, I could, but I will go in the other direction."

In the regular events of the day, as announced, the Curtiss machine made great headway. Hamilton was out early and made the first circle of the course. The interest in the event continues unabated and Hamilton was rewarded for his efforts by the cheers of the great crowd.

Curtiss Makes Flight.

Three Curtiss machines were rolled out to the lawn in front of the grandstand. Curtiss himself appeared and took hold of things in a workmanlike manner and was soon in the air for a preliminary flight.

Shortly after 2 o'clock Curtiss started the official events by making a trial to set a new speed record for the course of a mile and a half. His first attempt was 1:14.5. About this time Paulhan attracted attention by his San Pedro flight and when things had settled down again Curtiss made a new trial. He succeeded in cutting the time to 2:13.5. Not satisfied with this, he made another attempt later in the afternoon and set a mark of 1:12 flat. This is the official record for the course.

Paulhan again—this time with Mason as passenger, flew into the center of the arena and made his bow. He remained in the air 18 minutes and 30 seconds and circled the course twice, drawing a cheer each time he whizzed by the stands.

Dirigibles Fly Race.

The dirigibles appeared. Roy Knabenshue and Lincoln Beachey announced a speed trial for the course. The big balloons crossed the tape at a clock and moved gracefully along the pylons. The race was the first with dirigibles ever at prescrib course. Knabenshue made what is considered fast time—6:23.5. Beachey came in in 7:55.

Hamilton went up after the flow record of the course, a flight without much in-

NOTED ARTIST, HIS WIFE, AND CHILD OVER WHOM THEY ARE CONTENDING.



Howard Chandler Christy.

CHRISTY RUGGED MODELS ARTIST ON FAMILIAR TERMS WITH GIRLS, SAY WITNESS.

Wife's Action for Possession of Child
Brings Out Unseemly Life of
Once Popular Idol.

NEW YORK, Jan. 14.—There was considerable diversion in the life of Howard Chandler Christy, the artist, according to the testimony of Charles F. Hall, a former Christy model, today in the habeas corpus proceedings of Mrs. Christy to obtain possession of their 12-year-old daughter, Natalie.

Hall also testified that the conduct of Mr. Christy in the presence of Natalie was at times most unbecoming of a father. He told of how the artist struck his wife, knocking her down, causing her nose to bleed and "sitting upon her."

Hall told of incidents in the studio in which various models played a conspicuous role, mentioning the names of women models with whom Christy was upon quite familiar terms.

HARVESTER CUTS MELON \$20,000,000 OF COMMON STOCK TO BE DIVIDED PRO RATA.

Whole Issue, Then Eighty Millions,
May Be Placed on 4 Per Cent
Dividend Basis.

NEW YORK, Jan. 14.—Another "melon" of large proportions—the distribution of \$20,000,000 in common stock—is to be given to the stockholders of the International Harvester Company.

The announcement was made this afternoon at the offices of J. P. Morgan & Co. The new stock is to be distributed ratably as a stock dividend to the present \$60,000,000 of common stock.

The directors of the company have recommended that the entire \$80,000,000 of stock be placed on a 4 per cent dividend basis, beginning next April.

WRONG MAN IS SHOT DEAD

Contractor Kills Friend While Both Seek for Enemy.

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SCALES DROPS OUT; COTTON GOES DOWN

Last of Bull Leader's Line of Staple Is Liquidated Through Brokers.

DAY'S DECLINE 1.04 CENTS

Market Weakness Most Noticeable Since Beginning of Year—Friend Quotes Patten as Saying He Is Holding On.

NEW YORK, Jan. 14.—(Special.)—Eugene Scates, the Texan who has been leader of the speculative moves in cotton, is out of the market. The last of his vast holdings of the staple were today transferred through his brokers, Carpenter, Baggot & Co., to the firm of George H. McFadden & Brother.

This proof that at least the biggest member of the "Big Four" in the bull movement of the past year had liquidated, explained the great weakness in cotton prices since the first of the year, which today culminated in demoralization and a smash to 13.75 cents a pound for May delivery, which is the most active trading option. At this price the decline from the high point of 16.45 cents reached in the last week of last year was 2.70 cents a pound, or \$13.80 a bale.

SUGAR MEN ARE INDICTED.

Charges Made Against Members
American Company.

NEW YORK, Jan. 14.—The Federal Grand Jury returned indictments today against Charles L. Helke, secretary of the American Sugar Refining Company, G. W. Gerbracht, J. H. Renda-nagel, Henry W. Walker, Jean M. Voelker and James F. Halligan, employees of the same company.

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River's Sudden Fall Leaves Wreckage on Levees.

BRIDGES CARRIED AWAY

Mississippi Now Above Danger Stage and Still Rising—Railroad Tracks Are Inundated and Trains Make Detours.

ST. LOUIS, Jan. 14.—The Mississippi River rose to a foot and nine inches above the danger point today, reaching the level of 31 feet 3 inches, and striking the levees with all manner of wreckage. Then the ice gorges below the town began breaking, and as the river dropped five feet within three hours, boats were left high and dry and some were damaged so that they will be useless hereafter. The property loss is estimated at \$200,000.

SALEM HIGH WINS DEBATE

Albany Boys Go Down to Defeat on Banking Question.

SALEM, Or., Jan. 14.—(Special.)—Salem High School was the winner in a debate in the city today with Albany High School on the subject "Resolved, that the United States should adopt a system of banking similar to the Canadian system."

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